number of slots that are bridged by each of the coils successively increasing within the coil group part.

Claim 2. (Twice Amended) A stator winding as claimed in claim 1, wherein the stator has a yoke and the cable produces a formation passing from a first one of said first slots to a second one of said slots, and upon returning to the first slot, the cable changes position to a next layer in a first direction until a number of positions in the slot have been filled, and said cable then passes to a nearest adjacent slot.

Claim 10. (Twice Amended) A rotating electric machine as claimed in claim 1, wherein the winding comprises at least one current-carrying conductor, a first layer having semi-conducting properties around the conductor, an insulating layer around the first layer, and a second layer having semi-conducting properties around the insulating layer.

## REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Official Action of September 14, 2000, in which the Examiner objected to certain informalities in the claims. A typographical error is corrected in Claim 1. Claim 2 has been amended in order to delete the objectionable language. Claim 10 has been amended to be dependent on claim 1

Claims 1,3 and 6 are rejected as unpatentable over <u>Shildneck</u> in view of <u>Siemens</u> the U.K. specification. According to the Examiner, <u>Shildneck</u> discloses the invention except for having a stator with radial slots, the slots increasing in diameter. <u>Shildneck</u> allegedly shows an improved